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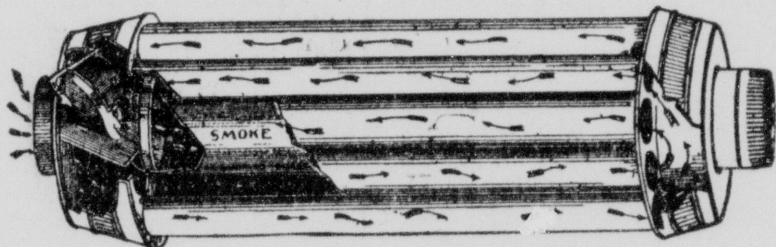
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—George A. Morris is in Chicago.
—J. V. Thomas was home over Sunday.
—El. Zoeller was in Sterling yesterday.
—Mrs. George H. Squires in Chicago.
—Select Knights of America meet tonight.
—I. B. Countryman went east this morning.
—Election of officers at Dixon Post G. A. R. tonight.
—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Spangler were in from Nachusa.
—George A. Deland drove to Chana, Ogle county, today.
—E. Horner drove to Sterling this morning to see A. Barron.
—Mr. and Mrs. George Meister are here from Franklin Grove.
—Herman Lebowich and wife of Oregon are here visiting relatives.
—Walter O'Malley and Patrick Curran drove to Sterling last evening.
—Misses Anna, Emma and Clara Overholtzer were visitors from Harmon.

—A lady of Freeport is not as foxy as she was; her pet fox ran away Saturday.

—William H. Rink and James Gaffney are attending the Chicago horse sale.

—E. C. Mathews is entertaining his friend, Harry Curtain, of What Cheer, Iowa.

—The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Miller is dead and was buried yesterday.

—Freeport and Galena whist teams play a match game at Freeport this evening.

—Our ice men are marking out their fields for the harvest and it promises to be a good one.

—An election of officers will be held this afternoon at the Women's Relief Corps meeting.

—A letter from Denver tells of the mercury being 22° below zero there Friday morning.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wood, jr., and brother Joseph are out from Chicago for a holiday visit.

—Hon. Victor Bovey of Pine Creek was here this morning to catch an early train east bound.

—E. L. Leaf of Colfax, Ill., is visiting at the home of George W. Dietterich, 361 Jackson avenue.

—A carrier pigeon was observed resting for a time on the top of a building on First street this morning.

—Carl Brown attended a Bowery Dance given by young people at Sterling Friday night at the Sterling Club rooms.

—Mrs. Clarke has returned to Chicago after trimming at Miss Sada Shenk's millinery store for several months.

—H. C. Dearing, agent for the La-Crosse Soap Co., disappeared at Freeport Wednesday, leaving his wife at the Brown hotel in that city.

—S. Rosenthal was pleasantly surprised today by a visit from Ulrich Rorrbach of Chicago. They were companions forty-five years ago at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

—Herman Mehrings is erecting for Rosalie Fisher, on lot 2 block 4, Hine's Addition, a fine two story house and a barn to cost \$2200. That neighborhood is being greatly improved with new homes.

—The widow of a deceased Livingston county editor placed one of the printing office stones over his grave, on which was engraved his name, etc. and the motto of his paper, "We Are Here to Stay."

—The Pitzele family left Dixon last evening on the 5:57 passenger for Chicago and were given a pleasing farewell at the depot by the several heads of departments of the Chicago store and their families.

—The Boston Globe says: Roosevelt's chances of success were excellent as soon as everybody began to speak of him as "Teddy." Van Wyck would have been more hopeful if he had been affectionately known as "Gus."

—A man named Miller killed a deer on the Fred Weinrich farm, 5 miles southwest of Geneseo, Nov. 30. He sold the carcass to Meeske & Davis. About the same time a deer was killed near Henry, Ill., on the Illinois river bottoms.

—A Hennepin boy tried to swear one day last week, but something stuck in his throat and he was stricken dumb. It wasn't a visitation of divine wrath, however. It was a cockle-burr thrown by another boy and the doctor had to remove it with a jimmy.

A Remarkable Deal.

One of the most remarkable business transactions that ever transpired in Dixon since a man from Lee Center tried to sell back to the county clerk a marriage license that he had recently purchased, took place at one of our stores recently.

It was nothing more nor less than the purchase of furniture by a heretofore confirmed bachelor. Who is it, do you ask? Well, if you must know: Ex-Sheriff Gray is the happy man who bought the household goods. Keep bachelor-hall? Not a bit of it.

Get married? Well, his friends freely proclaim that "Jo" Gray has for some time enjoyed the happy mood of Benedick in "Much Ado About Nothing," who was annoyed that he should "live to see the day when he got married."

Now the dicky birds freely sing that the happy event takes place tomorrow evening.

Re-dedication of St. Paul's.

The re-dedication of St. Paul's Lutheran church of Dixon will take place, as previously announced, next Sunday, with the full order of exercises, morning, afternoon and evening. The semi-centennial jubilee service will also be held on Monday, the 19th inst. at 7:30 o'clock p. m. But the anticipated preliminary grand organ recital will unfortunately have to be postponed until after the holidays. This is a great disappointment to the building committee, the church and the community at large. But the best laid plans do not always work as we would have them; and in this case the organ builders, who are now busily engaged putting in the musical apparatus, met with unforeseen impediments, rendering it impossible to have the work completed by next Friday, as anticipated. Everything else is in complete preparation, and the services will be held next Sunday in the audience room of the church which is elegant in its appearance and appointments.

Closing Night at the Military Bazaar.

The Military Bazaar last week, under the auspices of Dixon Post G. A. R. and Women's Relief Corps, was a great success all the time, but passed their greatest expectations Saturday night. Seven hundred tickets were sold at the door and some two hundred season tickets were taken, and those nine hundred people nearly all staid until midnight, and they nearly all danced. The articles at the several booths disposed of by members went as follows: Judge R. S. Farrand received the "Gypsy" painting by Mrs. George W. Smith; Mrs. Frank Curran won the painting "The Challenge" by Mrs. L. D. Pitcher; Mrs. Fred C. North got the pretty doll. The amount of cash made has not yet been figured.

The Poultry Show.

We publish elsewhere in this issue the official report of the prizes given at the poultry exhibit of last week. The show was first class in every respect and was a credit to the managers. There was not as good an attendance as there should have been, but we hope the association will see its way clear for another exhibit next year.

Golden Wedding.

Friends in Dixon have received invitations to the celebration of the golden wedding of Dr. G. W. Phillips and wife on Tuesday evening, December 20, at Commercial Hall, La Junta, Col. Dr. Phillips and wife left Dixon for the west some twenty-five years ago, but are well remembered by the old residents.

A Cold Wave Coming.

As we go to press this evening a supplemental dispatch from the government weather bureau informs us that a cold wave is bearing down on us from the northwest, and a drop in the thermometer of a score or so of degrees may be looked for tonight and tomorrow.

To Give a Grand Ball.

The Young Men's Catholic Temperance Society have began preparation for a grand ball to be given Thursday December 20. The young men are working hard to make this surpass all previous entertainments. It promises to be a very enjoyable affair.

Skaters Beware.

The Dixon Ice Company is now filling Alderman Plein's ice house just above the Electric Light plant and skaters should not venture near the field that is being cut.

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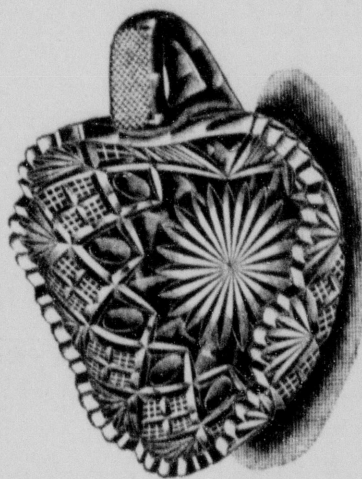
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SIGNING OF THE TREATY OF PARIS.

Scene Worthy of a Historic Painting—One Set of Commissioners Happy, the Other in Gloom—Spaniards Feel Their Humiliation Keenly, but Have Made Friends with Uncle Sam's Diplomats—Significant Fact Noted as to French Sentiment—Death of Gen. Calixto Garcia.

Paris, Dec. 12.—The signing of the Hispano-American treaty Saturday evening was a subject for a historical painting. It brought to an end many weeks of negotiation and controversy, and the group of diplomats gathered about the table in the stately chamber of the foreign office was impressive in itself, while the fact that the sense of the momentousness of the issues which the act decided was deeply felt by all the participants gave an impressive and solemn tone to the scene. Around the great mahogany table sat the ten arbiters of the destinies of an old and a young nation. Standing behind them were numerous attaches of the American commission. The jets from the crystal chandeliers above the heads of those present magnified the brilliant green and scarlet of the upholsterings in their gaudiness.

Quite a difference in feeling. To the Americans it was a happy ending of the episode of war; for the Spaniards it was plainly a bitter tragedy, none the less painful because long foreseen. They sat silently as though almost crushed, and none could withhold sympathy from Senor Montero Rios, the president of the Spanish commission, who coming from his bed was bundled in a great overcoat, though logs were burning in the fireplace near by. The spirits of the two bodies were symbolized by the clothes worn by the members of the commissions, for the Americans were attired in evening dress for the dinner given them immediately after the meeting by the Duc de Loubat, and the Spaniards wore black frock coats. The two copies of the treaty—written in parallel columns in English and Spanish, were passed around the table after being read, and each commission signed as the treaty came to him.

Villaurrutia Said "C'est Fin." Villaurrutia said "C'est Fin." The seals were affixed with ribbons of the French tri-color, as a compliment to the French hosts of the commissions. The last seal being impressed the commissioners rose and without formality each member shook the hands of all his antagonists and exchanged assurances of sincere personal esteem. The signing was finished at 8:45. At that time the door of the chamber opened and Senor Villaurrutia appeared and exclaimed to a group of correspondents who were waiting in the corridor, "C'est fini." The other members of the Spanish commission followed Senor Villaurrutia and passed silently through the vestibule to their waiting carriages. The American commissioners strolled out chatting complacently, and as they descended the steps the lights in the chamber were darkened.

Dons Did Not Want the Pens. There was a great contest among the families and friends of the American commissioners for possession of the pens with which the signatures to the treaty were written. Some of the Americans were provided with handsome pens purchased for the purpose. The Spaniards appeared to be unaffected by the souvenir craze, and contented themselves with the ordinary quill pens strewn on the table. Arthur Ferguson, the interpreter of the American commission, requested Senor Montero Rios to give him his pen, saying: "Have you any desire to preserve the pen with which you will sign?" "Not in the slightest," said the Spaniard with a courtly bow. The treaty as signed consists of seventeen articles, it having been found advisable to sub-divide two or three of the articles in the draft agreed upon at the last meeting.

FRYE PLEADED FOR SECRECY As a Courtesy to the United States Senate—Spanish Protest Approved.

Several members of the United States commission were inclined at first to publish the text of the treaty, but Senator Frye made a strong plea for the observance of courtesy toward the United States senate, and his arguments prevailed. The treaty in brief provides that Cuba is to be relinquished and that Porto Rico and the Philippines are to be ceded. The Americans are to pay \$20,000,000 to Spain and bear the expense of the repatriation of the Spanish troops from all the colonies. The Spaniards are to return all prisoners held by them. They are to retain possession of all military stores and munitions of war in the Philippines and of such ships as have not been captured. The commercial treaties between the two nations which the war ruptured are to be renewed at the convenience of the two nations. The protocol makes nearly 600 type written pages.

Warm personal friendships and mutual regard have arisen between the two commissions as the result of their extended controversy at close quarters. Yesterday several members of both commissions exchanged calls. The American commissioners unofficially informed the Spaniards that they would be glad to have the two commissions dine together. The reply, like the invitation, was conveyed diplomatically through a third party, and was that the Spaniards would be most pleased, but feared it would be inadvisable because it might be misconstrued at Madrid, where already much feeling existed against the Spanish commissioners.

The United States commissioners have been almost overwhelmed with offers of dinners in England, prompted by the desire of prominent Englishmen to emphasize the Anglo-American entente, but they will remain in Paris until the day before sailing for the United States. They will make formal calls upon President Faure and high officials here to thank them for official hospitality. Un-

official hospitality to the United States commissioners has been ostentatiously lacking in Paris.

GEN. CALIXTO GARCIA DEAD.

His Last Thoughts Were with the Country He Fought for So Long.

Washington, Dec. 12.—General Calixto Garcia, the distinguished Cuban warrior and leader, and the head of the commission elected by the Cuban assembly to visit his country, died here yesterday morning shortly after 10 o'clock at the Hotel Raleigh. The sudden change from the warm climate of Cuba to the wintry weather of New York and Washington is responsible for the pneumonia which resulted in his demise. He contracted a slight cold in New York, which did not assume an alarming stage until the early part of last week. During the twelve hours or more preceding his death General Garcia was unconscious most of the time. At intervals he recognized one or more of those about him. In his dying moments, as all through his busy and active life, his thoughts were for his beloved country and its people, and among his last words were irrational mutterings in which he gave orders to his son, who is on his staff, for the battle which he supposed was to occur today. He was 60 years old and a native of Cuba.

Among the letters of condolence received is one from President McKinley and another from Secretary Hay.

INTERVIEW WITH POPE LEO.

Says the United States Is Marching to Rome with Rapid Strides.

Rome, Dec. 12.—The correspondent of an American newspaper telegraphs to New York that he obtained an interview with Pope Leo who said: "The United States is a great people, full of strength and of will, but it is necessary that it should know how to prove itself generous always to the weak in order that its strength and its will may be a model of power."

"The United States has proved itself generous in protecting a people oppressed and tormented," said Leo. "Cuba" asked the pope, fixing his eyes upon me.

"Cuba," I replied. "That people was suffering." "Ah!" he exclaimed, suddenly, "what suffering I have endured in the face of the conflict of two nations that I love—one for its fidelity through the centuries, the other for its virile youth and for the hope of seeing it enter entirely into the bosom of the Catholic church. It is marching into it with rapid strides." Regarding Cuba the pope said that nothing would change its religious spirit.

FLAGLER WAS TURNED DOWN. His Recommendations as to Purchases of Arms Overruled, He Says.

Washington, Dec. 12.—General Flagler, chief of the ordnance bureau, was the most interesting witness before the war investigating commission Saturday. He said contracts were made of which he did not approve, one being for 40,000 Winchester rifles and another for some rapid-fire guns.

"Were any of your recommendations as to purchases of arms overruled or turned down?"

"Yes," questioned as to the rifles contracted for without his approval General Flagler said they were purchased by the secretary of war and while not certain he presumed they were on the recommendation of the general of the army.

Major Valery Havard, chief surgeon of the department of Santiago, told the oft-repeated story over of medical supplies that could not be landed in time to be used in the fighting at Santiago. At the Second division hospital the medicine, dressing and stimulants were sufficient, but the bedding, food etc., were inadequate.

Disputes a Spaniard's Story.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—There were 4,000 Spanish troops engaged in the fighting on San Juan hill on July 1, instead of 250, as stated recently by a Spanish naval officer. Such is the emphatic statement of Captain George S. Cartwright, United States army, formerly of the Twenty-fourth infantry and now attached to the quartermaster's department of the Fourth corps, at Huntsville, Ala., under General "Joe" Wheeler.

Refused to Obey a Sentry.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 12.—Henry Reffett, private, company I, First Kentucky regiment, was killed, and Henry C. Brehme, private, company B, of the same regiment, was seriously wounded by a sentinel who was stationed at the gang plank of the transport Berlin, which brought the regiment from Porto Rico. The men started to board the transport, but did not have a pass, and ignored the sentry's challenge.

Fight Is "On" in Wisconsin.

Milwaukee, Dec. 12.—The active campaign for United States senator began here Friday, when the leading candidates opened headquarters at the Hotel Pfister. The contest, which has been in a passive state for some weeks, is now in earnest. The Stephenson manager gives Quarles 30 votes, Stephenson 25, Babcock 25, Cook 6, and Webb 4 at the start. Quarles claims 40 votes on first ballot, and says they will stand by him through the fight. J. W. Babcock claims 25 votes.

Condition of Michigan Wheat.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 12.—Secretary of State Gardner reports the condition of wheat in Michigan Dec. 1 as 100, in comparison with average years. In the southern counties, where the greater part of the crop is grown, it was 101; central, 97; northern, 98. One year ago the percentages were 88 for the state; southern counties, 84; central, 91; northern, 101.

Federation of Labor in Session.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 12.—Many delegates are present at the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor which began in this city this morning, and to the convention of the National Builders' Building Trades council, which is also in session. Chief among them is Samuel Gompers, president of the federation.

Convicted of Robbing the Mails.

Vincennes, Ind., Dec. 12.—John F. Heaton, deputy postmaster of Westport, Lawrence county, Ill., who was arrested charged with robbing the mails, was convicted and sentenced to the Chester penitentiary for two years. He was arrested by Postoffice Inspector M. G. Price, of Chicago.

TRADE WITH CANADA.

Reciprocity and the Other Matters Postponed Until Congress Has Adjourned.

LITTLE PROSPECT OF AGREEMENT.

Reciprocity Seems Impossible as Things Are Now with the Commissioners—Free Lumber Is What Canada Wants and Cannot Get—Another Attempt to Come Together To Be Made—Democratic Representatives Agree on Caucus Matters.

Washington, Dec. 12.—It has been agreed by the joint high commission of Americans and Canadians which has been in session here for several weeks to adjourn at an early date. This has not yet been formally announced, but it is understood that the day fixed for adjournment is Dec. 26. On the evening of Dec. 19 the Canadians will give a banquet to which the Americans will be invited. The understanding is that the sessions will not be resumed till after March 4 next, when the American commissioners, who are members of the house and senate will have leisure to devote to the negotiations. Whether the sessions will be resumed at Quebec, where they were begun, or in this city has not been stated.

Cause of the Decision to Adjourn.

The decision to adjourn has grown out of the developments of the past week. While there are several protocols in the proposed treaty—notably the Bering sea and north Atlantic fisheries, reciprocity, and questions affecting the great lakes—reciprocity is the one great subject in which the Canadians are interested. Last week the high commissioners came nearer than they have ever before to the discussion of that subject. The Canadians had submitted proposals, and on Wednesday the Americans submitted counter proposals. These counter proposals showed that the Americans were disposed to be very unyielding and that much smaller concessions would really be made than had been expected.

Free Lumber an Impossibility.

The negotiations of last week also convinced the Canadians that free lumber, a consummation they and all their people have devoutly wished for, was impossible. The American commissioners not only told the Canadians so, but the latter were invited to the Capitol, and while there met several prominent members of the house and senate who impressed the fact still more firmly upon them. It is said that the Americans have agreed to a small reduction in the duty on lumber, now \$2 per 1,000. The Canadians had hoped for much larger concessions.

Outlook Is Not Bright.

This condition of things and the apparent impossibility of reaching an agreement before Christmas are said to have led to the decision for an adjournment. The senate may be called in session after March 4 to transact business, when there would be ample time to present any treaty that may have been framed with Canada. At present the outlook for an agreement is not bright.

CAUCUS ACTION IS BEING.

Democrats at Washington Meeting and Adopt Bailey's Idea of Discipline.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The Democrats of the house of representatives held a caucus Saturday on the question coming over from the last session as to the binding force of caucus action. The meeting was held in the hall of the house of representatives at 8 p. m., and of 126 members on the roll of the house 86 were present. Among those present were Bailey, Richardson of Tennessee, DeArmond and Bland of Missouri, Wheeler of Alabama, Allen of Mississippi, McRae of Arkansas and Sayers of Texas, McMillin of Tennessee and Rankin of Alabama were not among those present. The meeting was devoid of any personal or sensational features and was devoted to a brief discussion of the wisdom of making caucus action binding. A resolution to this effect had been introduced by Bailey, and this was pending with an amendment by McRae of Arkansas.

The main interest centered in the ability of Bailey and his friends to pass the resolution. At the outset DeArmond made a point of order against the regularity of the resolution, but Chairman Richardson did not sustain the point. In order to test the strength of the Bailey forces Clardy of Kentucky moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution had been agreed to at the last session. The motion was tabled—62 to 13—thus establishing that the advocates of the resolution had a clear majority.

The resolutions were then adopted without division. They are as follows: "Resolved, That hereafter the action of a democratic caucus shall be binding upon all who participate in its proceedings, provided that no member shall be required to vote for any bill which he may deem unconstitutional, and provided further that in all matters except the nomination of officers and questions of procedure no decision shall be binding unless made by two-thirds of those voting."

Resolved, That while acting in conformity to the principles declared by the last national Democratic convention and the constitution of the United States the Democrats in each state and in each congressional district have a right to determine for themselves in their own locality what their policy shall be; to make platforms for, accept pledges from, their candidates, and to instruct their members of congress; and the full exercise of such right of local party self-government should in all cases be respected by Democratic congressional caucuses."

McBrath to Go Exploring.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—The London Times has engaged Dr. H. Darwin McBrath to take charge of an exploring expedition to China next year. His recent trip on a wheel in China led to this engagement.

Illinois State Bank Authorized.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 12.—Auditor McCullough, has granted permission to organize the Edwards County State bank, at Albion, Ill., with a capital of \$25,000.

END OF THE BICYCLE RACE.

Miller Wins, Beating His Record by Twenty-four Miles—Wedded at the Track.

New York, Dec. 12.—Charles W. Miller, of Chicago, last year's six-day champion, won the great race at Madison Square Garden again this year, beating the world's record, his own, by twenty-four miles, leading the next man to him, Frank Waller, of Boston, by twenty-two miles, and making a record of 2,907 miles. Pierce, the Canadian, was third, more than 100 miles behind Miller. Of all the foreigners in the race, the only two to finish were Julius and Hall, they were far behind all the others who finished. Julius was last and "Teddy" Hale, the Irishman who in 1896 won the championship, was next to last, having just managed to get over the 1,500 miles. Thirty-two men started last Monday and only twelve finished.

By winning the six-day race Miller gets from the management the sum of \$1,500, and for breaking the world's record he gets the sum of \$200 additional and for his public marriage he is said to have got the sum of \$500. Miller is also said to have received a wedding present of \$200 from the wheel firm for whom he rides.

The wedding occurred in one of the boxes which surround the bicycle track. Alderman Wents, of this city, performed the ceremony. Miller had to be lifted into the box by his trainers, so overcome was he by his hard work. A tremendous cheer went up from the crowd as Miller and Miss Hanson were declared man and wife. To cap the climax of enthusiasm Waller went over and kissed the bride.

FERRIBLE CRIME IN MICHIGAN

Perpetrator Suicides After Killing His Sister, Her Husband and a Boy.

Free Soil, Mich., Dec. 12.—William Hitchings Friday afternoon murdered his brother-in-law, John Hunt; also his sister, Mrs. Hunt, and Thomas Hayward, a 16-year-old youth employed by Hunt. Hitchings then cut his own throat. The three were cutting wood together on Hunt's farm two miles west of this village when Hitchings without warning attacked his brother-in-law with an ax, killing him instantly. The insane man then chased Hayward until the latter slipped and fell and Hitchings killed the prostrate boy with his ax. Hitchings next covered his brother-in-law's body with brush and then proceeded to the farm house, and after a terrible and desperate struggle with Mrs. Hunt stabbed her in the neck with a jackknife, killing her also.

After the woman's body was disposed of by being pushed under a bed Hitchings went upstairs to his own room, leaving unmolested a baby asleep in its cradle. The madman's last act was to apply the jackknife to his own throat. The dead woman's young daughter found her mother's body on her return from school. Her clothes had been nearly torn off in the unequal struggle.

MASS MEETING AT CHICAGO.

Street Railway Men Denounced as Criminals and Anarchists—Call for Rope.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—A mass meeting to protest against a fifty-year extension of the licenses of the Chicago street car lines was held at Central Music hall yesterday afternoon. The speakers were Mayor Harrison, John P. Altgeld, Geo. E. Cole, John Maynard Harlan and Rev. Father Thomas P. Hodnett.

Ex-Governor Altgeld was the first to advert to the subject of municipal ownership, and his remarks aroused the greatest enthusiasm. Referring to the alleged use of money in the city council Altgeld said: "How can we stop this thing?"

"Hang them; get a rope; hang the hoodlums," responded the audience.

The resolutions adopted denounced the directors and stockholders of the traction companies as criminals and anarchists, who are plotting against the peace and prosperity of Chicago, and "inviting consequences as disastrous to the community as any outrages ever devised by the sworn enemies of society."

Illinois Men Sail for Cuba.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 12.—The transport Michigan sailed Saturday afternoon for Marianna, Cuba, with two battalions of the Second Illinois regiment. The officers and men strongly objected to going on the Michigan, as she has not yet been overhauled by the government and regularly fitted up for transport work. Her accommodations are not the most comfortable, but upon being given the alternative of going at once or waiting indefinitely they decided to go.

Absent Man Was Not Dead.

Middletown, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Andy White, of Pharsalia, who went west last spring and who was reported to have been drowned, has returned to his home. H. P. G. White, who was recently under arrest at Baldwin, Mich., charged with attempting to defraud insurance companies in palming off a body as that of his brother, has returned to his home here.

Casey Acquitted of Murder.

Oshkosh, Wis., Dec. 12.—Edward Casey, charged with the murder of James Morris, a striker, during the woodworkers' riot, was acquitted Saturday. The jury brought in a verdict after being out twenty minutes. Somebody killed one of a mob which had broken into the premises of McMillen's factory, and the striking rioters declared it was Casey.

Illinois Coal Miners Strike.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 12.—The seventy-five men employed in the coal mine at Mount Vernon, Jefferson county, have struck, demanding the Springfield scale, 50 cents for hand and 43 cents for machine mining. They are now receiving 40 cents for hand and 35 cents for machine mining.

Steamer Sunk Off Peshtigo.

Menominee, Mich., Dec. 12.—The steamer Wyomir, of the Lackawanna line, is sunk in eighteen feet of water off Peshtigo, having been cut through by the ice. She was run into shoal water and lies with her tower deck a foot under the surface.

Col. Bryan Has Resigned.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 12.—General Keifer, who is in command of the remaining troops of the Seventh army corps since General Lee's departure for Cuba, last night confirmed the rumor of Colonel W. J. Bryan's resignation of his command.

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HOMESEEKER'S EXCURSION
SOUTH.—Tickets to certain points SOUTH on the lines of the Illinois Central and Y. & M. V. R. R.'s, will be sold from Dixon, Ill., station on Tuesdays Oct. 4, 18, Nov. 1, 15 and Dec. 6 and 20, at the rate of one fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip. For a Free Copy of the 1898 edition of the Home-seekers' Guide, describing the advantages and resources of the South, address J. F. Merry, A. G. P. A., I. C. R. R., Dubuque, Iowa. For information regarding lands in Southern Illinois or in the famous Yazoo Valley of Mississippi, address E. P. Skene, Land Commissioner, I. C. R. R., Chicago.

HOMESEEKER'S EXCURSIONS
WEST.—On Dec. 6 and 20, Home-seekers' Excursion tickets will be sold from Dixon, Ill., station to all points on the Illinois Central in South Dakota, Minnesota and in Iowa west of and including Ackley, as far as Le Mars, and to Waverly and points north at one fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip return limit good for 21 days.
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NEW YORK TRAGEDIES

Accidental, Homicidal and Suicidal Make a Long Record for a Day.

THOUSANDS SEE A RACE DISASTER.

Prominent Tammany Man Meets His Death While Speeding a Fast Horse Against Another—Italian Banker Shot Dead at His Own Door—Three Suicides, One of Whom Is a Girl of Only 14 Years, All by Carbolic Acid.

New York, Dec. 12.—The Sunday death list in New York and vicinity was greatly increased by causes that run the gamut from suicide to murder. The most spectacular tragedy of the day occurred on the speedway. Thousands of people who had gathered there to watch the speeding gazed eagerly at what they thought was a race. It was at first, but it ended in a runaway and James McDonald, a prominent Tammany man, and one of the best known horsemen in the city, was carried to the Manhattan hospital, where he died six hours later. McDonald had taken a fast horse to the speedway for a warming, and had been challenged by a friend to a test of speed. The horses went along at a furious pace. With a mighty effort McDonald's horse took the bit and shot to the front. Two blocks ahead the speedway was impassable to the flyers, and McDonald realizing this stood up in his rig, and dropping one rein gave the other a mighty jerk. He threw his horse, killing it, but he himself was pitched high into the air and some twenty feet forward, falling on the hard road. His skull was fractured.

Italian Shot Through the Heart.
Vincenzo Garagusi, an Italian banker and prominent in the Italian colony, was shot and killed in front of his home in Broome street last night, the bullet piercing his heart. Lawrence Priore, a drug clerk employed in a drug store near by, was arrested and is charged with the murder. Two policemen who were standing about fifty feet away from the scene of the tragedy heard the first shot, and declare they saw Priore fire the second shot. They immediately arrested him. Pasquale Gilberti, the owner of the drug store, made the statement that Garagusi and Priore had had a quarrel Saturday night over a game of cards, and had frequently quarreled before, and it is believed by the police that Priore killed the banker for revenge.

Two Cases of Suicide.
William Walters, 28 years old, bought 10 cents' worth of carbolic acid, and after kissing his wife and child goodbye said he would go and call on his mother. He stopped at his mother's home but a few moments, and when leaving drank the contents of the bottle. He died en route to a hospital. Catherine Werner, a factory girl 25 years old, drank carbolic acid yesterday and died shortly after her removal to the Flower hospital.

Old Woman Burned to Death.
Elizabeth Clinton, 64 years old, was burned to death in her home on Bedford street. Her clothes became ignited by the bursting of a kerosene lamp. Hilda Hesse, 14 years old, took carbolic acid at her home in Hoboken and died shortly afterward. A quarrel with her father and stepmother is said to have made her despondent. A man believed to be Peter Thompson, of Brooklyn, fell or jumped off a dock in Brooklyn. He was taken out of the water alive, but died at a hospital from the shock.

CLEVELAND BAR SCANDAL.

Burke Expelled and Dellenbaugh's Conduct to Be Investigated.
Cleveland, O., Dec. 12.—State Senator Vernon H. Burke will be expelled from the Cleveland Bar association, and Judge Frank E. Dellenbaugh will be investigated. This the Bar association decided to do at its meeting Saturday. Then the vote was taken by calling the roll. The result was largely in favor of adopting the report as submitted by the trial committee.

This carried with it the expulsion of Burke and the investigation of Dellenbaugh. The vote was announced by James A. Garfield, chairman of the meeting. The vote stood eighty in favor of adopting the report and twenty against.

Accident to a Battleship.

New York, Dec. 12.—The battleship Massachusetts, less than an hour out of her berth in the Brooklyn navy yard and barely started on a trip to Hampton Roads, struck the bottom or some obstruction off Governor's Island Saturday, and is now back at the navy yard with her bottom stove in and three compartments filled with water. She will have to go into a dry dock, as she has a hole in her bottom thirty feet long.

Four Persons Seriously Injured.

Pendleton, Ore., Dec. 12.—A rear-end collision occurred yesterday on the Oregon Railway and Navigation company's main line seventeen miles east of here between the west-bound fast mail and freight train No. 21. Four persons were seriously, but not fatally hurt, one of them being David Felger, of Mock, Ills.

Dead Farmer Was Not Murdered.

Springfield, Ills., Dec. 12.—The coroner's jury in the case of Pierce Jones, a prominent farmer near Waverly, found frozen to death near his home, and reported with a bullet in his forehead, rendered a verdict of death from unknown causes. There was no bullet wound or other marks of violence.

Scovill's Ban Is Removed.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Sylvester Scovill, newspaper correspondent, who was excluded from all naval ships and yards and army reservations and posts by formal order, has been restored to favor. Secretary Long has issued the order, and a similar order will issue from the war department.

Dr. Morrison Accepts the Bishopric.

Davenport, Ia., Dec. 12.—Word was received here Saturday evening from Theodore N. Morrison, D. D., of Chicago, accepting the election as bishop of Iowa.

HIS RESIGNATION DEMANDED.

Detroit Good Government League Wants a Police Commissioner to Resign.

Detroit, Dec. 12.—The resignation of Police Commissioner Ralph Phelps, Jr., was demanded yesterday at a mass meeting of representative citizens held in one of the leading churches. This action is the direct result of recent agitation toward the enforcement of law and abolishing of vice by the Good Government League of Detroit and others.

Phelps was charged among other things with being on fifteen liquor bonds prior to his appointment as commissioner, when the law expressly provides that no one shall sign more than two, and with not being released from the bonds after his appointment; with absconding himself from the city for almost a year while president of the police commission after having accepted the responsibilities of office, and with not being in full sympathy with the enforcement of the laws.

Well-Known Michigan Man Dead.

Detroit, Dec. 12.—A telegram was received by Don M. Dickinson Saturday announcing the death in New York of I. M. Weston, of Grand Rapids. Bright's disease was the cause of death. Weston was one of the most widely known citizens of Michigan politically, socially and a business way. A native of Maine, born in 1845, he first followed newspaper work in the west, then made a fortune in lumbering and eventually merged his interests in Grand Rapids where he lived a cosmopolitan life for many years as a bachelor and all-around man of affairs. He will be buried at Madison, Me.

Value of the Corn and Oats Crops.

Washington, Dec. 12.—On the basis of the farm prices on Dec. 1 the agricultural department figures place the 1898 crops of corn and oats at worth \$32,000,000 more than the crops of 1897. Statistician Hyde accredits this largely to the difference in prices. The corn crop is a trifle larger than in 1897, and the average price per bushel is 2.4c higher, while the oat crop is similarly a little larger than the 1897, and the prices were 4.4 higher.

Miss Packard Arrives at Fort Monroe.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 12.—The transport Oddam arrived at Fort Monroe yesterday afternoon and landed there seventy sick and convalescent soldiers from the army in Porto Rico and Cuba, and Miss Packard, daughter of ex-Governor Packard, of Iowa. She has done noble work as a nurse in hospitals at Santiago de Cuba. Her health becoming impaired she came home to recuperate.

Many Passengers Hurt in a Collision.

Ottumwa, Ia., Dec. 12.—A head-on collision occurred on the Milwaukee Saturday between a Kansas City passenger and an extra freight at Rutledge, near here. The engines were telescoped, the mail car demolished and half a dozen freight cars smashed. The crew escaped by jumping. Many passengers were hurt, but none seriously.

Capture of a Criminal Fugitive.

Newark, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Frank Deane, who was convicted and sentenced to state prison at Jackson, Mich., in April, 1896, for four years for cracking a safe in a bank at Romeo, Macon county, Mich., was paroled later and still later robbed a room mate, was captured here Saturday working as a barber.

Vanderlip at Santiago.

Santiago de Cuba, Dec. 12.—Frank A. Vanderlip, United States assistant secretary of the treasury, has arrived here from Jamaica on board the revenue cutter Grisham. He comes under special instructions from President McKinley to investigate the currency question.

Did Not March Through Havana.

Havana, Dec. 12.—The delay in forwarding its baggage compelled the Two Hundred and Second New York regiment to remain on board the transport Minnewaska instead of marching through the city yesterday, as was expected.

Gen. Lee Sails for Cuba.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 12.—General Lee and staff sailed for Cuba yesterday afternoon on the transport Panama.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

The death is announced at London of William Black, the novelist.

There is a solid jam of ice at the mouth of Detroit river and no boats can get through.

The pope has decided that the Spanish policy of the Vatican shall be anti-Carlist and not neutral.

William Van Lente, aged 30, was accidentally shot and killed near Holland, Mich., while out hunting.

Hulda Caesar, 14 years of age, stole \$27 at Chicago to become a Santa Claus to the children of "Little Hell."

Governor Leedy has decided to call an extra session of the Kansas legislature to consider railroad legislation.

Michigan's game warden estimates that fully 10,000 persons hunted deer during the open season last fall.

The United States flag was unfurled over the city hall of Marianao, Cuba, at 12:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Hon. E. G. Rathbone, of Ohio, ex-assistant postmaster general, has been appointed to take charge of the postal service in Cuba.

Judge John W. Showalter, of the United States circuit court of appeals, died Saturday at Chicago. He was 54 years old, and a native of Kentucky.

The story that Japan has offered \$200,000,000, or any other sum off the Philippines, is a canard, so it is said at James Shaw, the only surviving member of the Michigan legislature of 1847, when Detroit was the capital of Michigan, died Saturday night at Niles, aged 86.

A large quantity of brick work in a sewer in course of construction at Barcelona, Spain, collapsed, burying many of the workmen. Eighteen bodies have been recovered.

Serator Quay's attorneys have applied to have the conspiracy case removed to the Pennsylvania supreme court, on the ground that the senator cannot get justice in the lower court.

The Weather We May Expect.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Following are the weather indications for twenty-four hours from 9 p. m. yesterday: For Indiana and Illinois—Generally fair weather; westerly winds. For Michigan and Wisconsin—Generally fair weather; light to fresh westerly winds. For Iowa—Fair weather; westerly to northwesterly winds.

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How to Look Good.

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Mothers Help Your Little Ones—They Are Not to Blame.

Every mother in Dixon should read this article. Many mothers blame their children for what they are not always able to prevent. The poor little ones suffer from their inability to do differently. Many children are born with weak kidneys. They wet the bed night after night because they can't help it. Mothers scold, then whip, and often shame the child, but the accidents go on nightly. If two cents worth of forethought were used it would be seen that after whipping, scolding and shaming the child, if it still continued the habit, that the child must certainly have weak kidneys or an inflammation in its bladder. Morrow's Kidneys cure this perfectly. They are easy to take as they are tablets (Yellow) and not a nauseous pill.

We want to give you the experience of a Sterling, Illinois, mother, Mrs. C. A. Hewitt of Wilson avenue and Tenth street, who says: "My little daughter, Gracie, who is six years old has been troubled all her life with weak kidneys. This was shown by her nightly wetting the bed. Small as she is, she complained of her back, which also convinced me it was her kidneys. Morrow's Kidneys have been the only thing I have been able to get that would help her. They are all right and I heartily recommend them to mothers with children who have weak kidneys and bothered this way."

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Jane A. Johnson Gone to Her Reward.

Many who read these lines will do so
through eyes dimmed with tears, for
they will feel that in the departure
from earth of Miss Johnson they have
lost that truest of friends—a friend in
their sorest need. Six months ago it
became known to herself and nearest
relatives that an internal cancer was
sapping away her life, and last June
she submitted to an operation, hoping
to stay its progress. Six weeks ago
she became an inmate of the Dixon
hospital, and for a time received en-
couraging relief. But while mercifully
spared severe suffering, the angel of
death (who to her came as a messenger
from heaven) called at about 4 o'clock
Sunday morning and her spirit left its
weary tenement of clay. "Blessed are
the dead, who die in the Lord,"
that they may rest from their labors,
and their works do follow them."

Miss Jane A. Johnson was the second
child and eldest daughter of Eben H.
and Sarah Johnson, and was born in
Palmyra township, Lee county, Ill.,
December 5, 1844. Her parents re-
moved to this county from Chenango
county, N. Y., shortly after their mar-
riage in 1838, and resided in the home-
stead in Palmyra until their death in
1885. Here five sons and two daugh-
ters were born to them, of whom four
sons remain.

Miss Johnson completed her educa-
tion at the old Dixon Collegiate In-
stitute, and early developed a strong
taste for literature and considerable
talent as a clear and forcible writer.
She was not only well-informed on all
topics of general interest, but was a
living encyclopaedia in matters of
local history. Her knowledge was
accurate and minute. After the
death of her parents Miss John-
son continued to live with her
brother Mark on the home place until
a few years ago, when she removed to
Dixon, which has since been her home.
In the "Recollections of the Pioneers
of Lee County," a book published some
years ago by the Woman's Columbian
Club, Miss Johnson wrote one of the
most interesting and valuable papers,
on the "Pioneers of Palmyra," from
which she modestly withheld her sig-
nature. For years she has been an oc-
casional and valued contributor to
THE TELEGRAPH; her communications
usually being of a practical character.
Only a couple of weeks ago she wrote
an appreciative and inspiring article
from her room in the hospital. Prac-
tical common sense, a broad view of
life and its duties, and a modestly dig-
nified demeanor, were prominent char-
acteristics with her. She had seen
much of the serious side of life and, ex-
cept by her most intimate friends, was
never seen to smile. The usually seri-
ous expression of her countenance was
no indication of a pessimistic nature or
an unsympathetic soul; for but few
walked as closely in the footsteps of
Jesus. Hers was the religion of the
Master, and her mission seemed to be
to carry relief to the indigent, comfort
to the sorrowing, hope to the hopeless.
No work was too onerous, no exertion
too great, no sacrifice too exacting,
if she could thereby relieve the wants
of those who were really in distress.
She had a peculiarly acute faculty of
finding these, and when found, her
charity was of that rare kind which
put her own personality into her acts
of beneficence. The personal sym-
pathy of the giver always added im-
mensely to the value of her benevo-
lences. A member of no organized char-
itable association, with delicacy which
sought to hide rather than to expose
the privations of the destitute to an
assemblage or a committee, single-
handed and alone, she has fought the
wolf of penury from the door of many
a destitute family, and done it in a way
to save the self-respect of the recipient
and gain their everlasting gratitude.
Christ said of such: "Inasmuch as ye
did it unto one of the least of these, my
brethren, ye have done it unto me."
The extent of her munificence was
known only to herself and to God; for
not only did she systematically con-
ceal her good deeds, but scarcely ever
referred to herself in any way what-
ever. Since her departure, however,
the fragrance of her charities are gradu-
ally spreading through the commu-
nity.

Miss Johnson leaves four brothers—
Thomas H., in Loveland, Colorado;
Ralph E., at the Palmyra homestead;
W. Howard, of Dixon; and Mark M.,
of Calvert, Nebraska.

The funeral services will be held at
the home of Howard Johnson, 265
Crawford avenue, at one o'clock Tues-
day afternoon, and the burial will
take place in the Palmyra cemetery.

—Geo. R. Charters of Ashton is at
Hotel Bishop.

PRETTY GIRLS.
What Kinkers of the Genesee News is
Thinking About:

Must we record the passing of the
pretty girl? Alas and alas and more
laments.
Nothing that the News has recorded
in the quarter of a century of its exis-
tence has been so expressive of the
changes that time has wrought. And
time is forever wringing.

Changes there are in nearly all the
relations between man and woman.
The best cooks and the best milliners
are men. In old times the men washed
the dishes. In II. Kings, chapter 21
and verse 13, it is recorded that the
Lord said, "I will wipe Jerusalem as a
man wipeth a dish, wiping it and turn-
ing it upside down."

Since the days when Eve made for
herself a dress of fig leaves, it has been
the peculiar province of woman to
make herself pretty. It has been ex-
pected of her. She has liked so to do
and exercised her genius to the limit
in adorning herself. She will soon
not care a fig whether she is adorned
or not.

To be homely will soon become a
fad.

No more dough or saleratus. No
more furbelows or ruffles. Gone for-
ever the whitewash can and the curl-
ing iron.

Pretty girls can not get jobs about
the big cities any more. That is, not
if there is a homely girl to be had.
Business men do not want a pretty girl
about the place. It doesn't pay.

The following interview with a Chi-
cago retail merchant will explain the
situation. It is not original with the
News, but has been going at random
the rounds of the press:

Nowadays the "fatal gift of beauty"
is particularly fatal to a job. "Yes,
sir, there is growing prejudice against
employing very handsome women,"
said a retail merchant. "It's no joke,
and there's no sentiment about it; just
a cold drawing matter of business. I
don't care how competent a strikingly
handsome woman may be, or how dis-
creet and quiet and industrious she is—
all the same she is bound to demoralize
the force. She makes the women jeal-
ous and the men absent-minded, and it
tells on their work. Of course, she
can't help it, but that's no affair of
mine."

"Years ago a big Chicago confec-
tionery shop became famous all over
the country for its beautiful salesladies.
The result of the experiment was this:
The place lost all its woman customers
and the trade of the men grew worth-
less. A young chap would drop in,
buy a stick of gum for a cent, and talk
for three hours at a stretch. At last
the proprietor discharged the whole
force and engaged a lot of the homeliest
women in Illinois, cross-eyed preferred.
After that he made a fortune. And so
it goes. I could cite you a hundred
cases, but you can say confidently that
pretty women—very pretty women I
mean—are at a great disadvantage in
business. It's next to impossible for
one to get a job. The homely girl has
the call."

But He 'Didn't Saw the Wood.'

The genial Bill Williams, one of the
prosperous farmers over in the vicinity
of Daysville, plans ahead for a rainy
day and has a fine lot of wood back on
his farm, seasoning for summer use.
There is strong evidence that "there
are others" who have not taken the
precaution that Bill has and reached a
premeditation to borrow some of Bill's
wood until they got time to chop some
for themselves. But, in the words of
the immortal Burns, "The best laid
plans of mice and men gang aft agley."
The trip was made a couple of weeks
ago, just before the freeze, and now
Williams instead of being "short" a
load of wood is "long" on wagons.
The parties who busted the written
commandment and coveted his neigh-
bor's wood overloaded his wagon—put
on too much wood to cross a marshy
place in the field safely. The wagon
went down, the tongue came out, but
the wagon stayed there and is frozen
in for the winter. While the wagon
couldn't hold its tongue we'll guaran-
tee the owner of it can and will.—Ogle
County Reporter.

School Report.

The following is the report for the
month ending Dec. 9, 1898, of the
March school:
No. pupils enrolled 17
No. days taught 21
Whole No. days 295
Average attendance 144

The following were not absent dur-
ing the month: Hazel, Avis, Blanche
and Ruby March, Grace Weidman,
Hazel Hartzell, Frank Weidman and
Elmer Pontius.

The following have not been absent
during the fall term, beginning Sept.
5, 1898: Hazel Hartzell, Hazel, Blanche
and Avis March, Elmer Pontius,
MINNIE DECKER,
Teacher.

John Dillon.

Reserved Seat Sale for John Dillon
Co. opens tonight at Charles Todd's
store. 25c, 35c and 50c.

JUDGE WINGERT FOR PEACE.
Carroll County Politicians in a Row.

There was a hot time in County
Judge Wingert's office yesterday. Con-
trary to all precedents heretofore es-
tablished the county central committee
met there and after an hour and a half
debate among themselves adjourned at
the motion of A. A. Strauch. Then
Monroe McKiel and Strauch had some
words during which the lie was passed
and Strauch laid hold of McKiel's coat
collar, whereupon His Honor, Judge
Wingert, took hold of Monroe and un-
dertook to eject him from his office.
McKiel pulling him along. Next City
Prosecutor Grove interfered in the
judge's behalf, he and McKiel having
a fistful encounter. Nobody was hurt
badly, but was a pretty mix-up for a few
minutes, we are told. Somebody should
start a professional training school
here and develop judges and city at-
torneys into prize fighters and all
around scrappers. We would like to
have reported the fight by rounds, but
our sporting editor wasn't present and
no one seemed to know when a round
ended and another began. One man
said it was all arms, hands and legs
for a few seconds and then a calm set-
tled down that was distressing. It was
a nice finale for the meeting.—Mt.
Carroll Democrat.

Dixon Women's Club.

The second educational program of
the Dixon Woman's club was given
Saturday afternoon in Schuler's Hall.
Invitations were issued to the Phidian
Art Club, the boards of education, the
principals and teachers of the public
schools, and the college faculty. Many
responded to these invitations and a
large and attentive audience listened to
the program. Miss Hazel Barber gave
a charming violin solo and the ladies'
quartet sang. After the reading of
the minutes Mrs. D. H. Law read a
most interesting paper upon Manual
Training. It would be impossible to
do justice to Mrs. Law's excellent pa-
per in the short space allotted to this
report, but we wish every thinking
person in this city could have heard it.
She said in part:

That manual training was the solu-
tion of many or most of the existing
moral and social evils. That much of
the wrong doing was the result of idlen-
ess. That it was difficult to find a
very bad man or woman who was in-
terested in some real industry. That
decadence of handicrafts was at-
tended by physical and moral
decadence. Manual training supplied
these needs. That it was morally and
intellectually stimulating had ex-
cellent effect upon other school work
and attracted the idle boy to something
higher and better. She believed
that the hope of her country was
in its public schools and advocated the
training of the hand as well as mind
at the expense of the state. Manual
training work develops conscience and
intellect, stimulates invention, corrects
wrong social ideas, encourages the
child to love work and teach the digni-
ty of labor. Most of all, it aided in the
attainment of a complete life. She
read letters from various high schools
of our state in which manual training
is taught, showing the success it has
achieved and the excellent results ob-
tained. Following Mrs. Law's paper,
short talks were given by Mayor F. A.
Truman, Prof. Williamson, Miss Cham-
berlain, Mrs. O. B. Dodge, Prof. J. L.
Hartwell and Miss Elizabeth Shaw.
One number not on the program proved
quite a surprise to the president, Mrs.
J. H. Thompson. Saturday being Mrs.
Thompson's birthday, Mrs. E. Groh on
behalf of the clubwomen, took the oc-
casion to present her with a beautiful
bouquet of roses. After a social half
hour the club adjourned, voting it one
of the most profitable programs of the
year.

Evil Days for the Democratic Party.

Memphis Commercial-Appeal (Dem.)
—Evil days have come to the Demo-
cratic party. It is not only a minority
party, but a wrangling and disaffected
minority party; it is not only become a
party of negation, but a turbulent and
faction-bedecked party of negation. It
has no leaders and no objective point
to which to lead. The tinsel of place
and position is more thought of than
all principles or policies. What was
once a great party that stood for the
broadest statesmanship has degener-
ated into a number of insurrectionary
factions who agree only on one policy,
that sublimely stupid policy of doing
nothing and of objecting to everything
proposed by the Republicans.

The Republicans are extending the
trade of the country, opening new ter-
ritory, building schools and courthouse
in our new possessions, and, whether
right or wrong, are doing something to
show that they have reason for being
in existence. If the Democrats in con-
gress would supplant Bailey with an
expansionist who is in harmony with
the spirit of the age, and who is not a
belated wanderer among the ruins and
traditions, there would be some hope for
the party, but as long as Democracy means
to do nothing Bailey is as good as any
one else that can be named.

Holiday Presents
For Everybody!

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Glove, Necktie, Photo, Work and Cigar Boxes; Dolls, Pictures, Per-
fumery, Albums, Toilet Sets, Umbrellas, Rings, Handkerchiefs,
Mufflers, Dress Patterns, Napkins, and in fact everything that would
make a beautiful and useful present, at prices lower than the lowest.
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less than manufacturers' prices. Call and see for yourself.

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and Hall Furniture, Desks, Sideboards, China and Par-
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stock of fine holiday furniture of others. Prices attrac-
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them at less than the usual margin of profit on such
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price, such as will attract new customers to our
store.

Many women's shoes, less desirable in style and
not at all superior in quality, are sold in this city at
\$3.50 per pair.

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lasts—turn and welt soles—cloth and kid tops.

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Taffy Candies, all kinds.....10c lb
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gant and exquisite
Furniture. Come
and inspect our
numberless bar-
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M. E. Woman's Aid Society Meeting.

The meeting of the Ladies' Aid So-
ciety of the M. E. church, held last
Friday afternoon at the residence of
Mrs. John Hauser, was well attended,
and especially interesting. After roll
call, responded to by texts of scripture,
a very entertaining musical program
was presented. The first number, a
vocal solo, entitled, "O Lullaby," was
very sweetly sung by Mrs. Hattie Reed.
This was followed by a piano solo,
rendered with much brilliancy and
true artistic expression by Mrs. Lulu
Harned Grover. Mrs. Dille then en-
tertained the company with a pathetic
reading from Alice Cary and this in
turn was succeeded by a most ably
written and exceptionally well deliv-
ered paper, entitled "Popular Songs" by
Mrs. Heritage. The program closed
with a pretty piano solo, given by lit-
tle Miss Kathryn Hauser, which de-
served and received an encore.

At the conclusion of the program
light refreshments were served and a
short time spent in social intercourse,
after which the meeting disbanded, all
feeling the afternoon had been most
pleasantly and profitably spent.

Barn Burned Near Harmon.

Chas. Behrendt, living about a mile
east of Harmon, met with a serious loss
by fire Saturday evening. On return-
ing from his daughter's home west of
the village and going to the barn to
put up his horses, he discovered that
the interior of the building was in
flames. How the fire originated no
one knows. The barn with its con-
tents, two or three cows, hay, grain
and harness, was destroyed, and the
windmill nearly so. The house being
a some little distance away, escaped
destruction. The amount of damage
is not ascertained. Mr. Behrendt held
some insurance in the Farmers Mutual
Insurance Company of Palmyra.

Made a Night of It.

Charles Wood of J. H. Morris &
Son's had an experience Saturday
night that he will not soon forget.
Heat was needed in a box car that was
on the switch track filled with pota-
toes and he went into the car to light
an oil stove that was there. The
heavy door stuck when he closed it be-
hind him and when he tried to get out
he could not. At midnight despera-
tion and thoughts of a warm bed at
home gave him the needed strength
and the door gave way to his efforts.

Theodore Wilson's Funeral.

Few funerals in this vicinity have
been as large as that of the late Theo-
dore Wilson yesterday. There were
over one hundred carriages and the
members of the Masonic organizations
and Dixon Post, Grand Army of the
Republic, and a body. It will
be some time before this community
recovers from the shock of his death.
Mr. and Mrs. Steck were out from Chi-
cago.

'Twas Ever Thus.

An Earlville woman complains that
when any of the neighbors' children
get sick they send for her to suggest a
remedy, but when they give a party
they forget all about her, and invite
women who don't know whether a poultice
is made of mustard or horse-radish.

—The South has developed strong in-
dustries in cotton fabrics and steel
making and is about to enter into com-
petition with northern cities in furni-
ture. The South has large forests of
timber suited to this branch of manu-
facture. The new movement is not
taking shape very fast, but it is
thought that in time a considerable
portion of the trade for the southern
states and Central and South America
may find its principal seat in certain lo-
calities of the south.

—A word to the giver of presents is
timely at the present season of the
year. Use some judgment in the be-
stowal of your remembrances. The
merest trifle which expresses the idea
that the donor has kept in mind some
pet fancy of the recipient is far more
acceptable than a more expensive gift
which appeals in nowise to the one for
whom it is intended. Above all things
the gift should not go without a kindly
thought—a good wish for the one to
whom it is sent. The idea of giving
because one must is a travesty on the
feelings which should prompt every
heart at the Christmas season.

—At the last meeting of the Wom-
an's Christian Temperance Union Mrs.
Franks of North Dixon was chosen su-
perintendent of philanthropic work.
Those having any donations of provi-
sions or clothing will please notify Mrs.
Franks by mail and she will call for
all articles contributed. Any one
knowing of any case of destitution
would confer a favor by sending her
word and their needs will be attended
to. Any house-to-house visiting is not
thought advisable and will not be
done. Knowing the kind hearts of the
people of our city, we rest assured that
our work will prosper and much good
be none.

Report of Awards of Rock River Val- ley Poultry Association, Dixon, Ill., ininois, December 6-10, 1898.

Barred Plymouth Rocks—George J.
Gleason, Elburn, Ill. 1st cock, 1st hen,
1st pen.
E. D. Bone, Malta, Ill. 2d and 3d
hen, 2d pullet, 3d pen.
A. H. Mann, Elders, Ill. 3d cocker-
el.
E. H. Galt, Sterling, Ill. 2d cock.
A. H. Puterbaugh, Lanark, Ill. 1st
cockerel, 2d cockerel, 3d cock; 2d pen.
Mrs. Chas. Jones, Paw Paw, Ill. 3d
pullet.
E. P. Sand, Spring Hill, Ill. 1st pul-
let.
Buff Plymouth Rocks—D. D. Decker,
Dixon, Ill. 2d pullet, 2d and 3d hen;
3d pen.
W. H. Gray, Morrison, Ill. 1st cock,
1st cockerel, 1st hen, 1st pen.
W. H. Puterbaugh, Lanark, Ill. 3d
pullet.
W. H. Weishar, Freeport, Ill. 2d
cockerel, 2d pen.
White Plymouth Rocks—W. A.
Boynton, West Chicago, Ill. 1st cock-
erel, 2d pullet.
C. H. Lawton, Dixon, Ill. 1st and
3d pullet, 2d cockerel, 3d cockerel.
Silver Laced Wyandottes—Richard
Lyn, Morrison, Ill. 3d cockerel, 2d
and 3d hen, 1st pullet, 3d cock; 2d pen.
F. N. Fargo, Dixon, Ill. 2d cock, 1st
and 2d cockerel, 2d and 3d pullet; 1st
and 3d pen.
S. D. Remley, Franklin Grove, Ill. 1st
hen.
White Wyandottes—W. A. Jenkins,
Rock Falls, Ill. 1st, 2d and 3d pullet,
3d cockerel; 2d pen.
M. Cookson, Dixon, Ill. 1st and 2
cock, 1st, 2d and 3d hen, 1st and 2d
cockerel, 1st and 3d pen.
Buff Wyandottes—2d and 3d cockerel,
1st, 2d and 3d pullet.
Black Javas—H. U. Bardwell, Dix-
on, Ill. 1st cock, 1st hen.
Light Brahmas—W. I. Bymaster,
Dixon, Ill. 2d cock.
R. B. Fargo, Dixon, Ill. 1st cock,
1st, 2d and 3d hens, 1st cockerel, 1st, 2d
and 3d pullet; 1st and 2d pen.
E. L. Steel, Polo, Ill. 3d cockerel.
Dark Brahmas—S. L. Benjamin, Big
Rock, Ill. 1st and 2d cockerel, 1st and
2d pullet.
Buff Cochins—R. L. Leitch, Rock
Falls, Ill. 2d cock, 2d and 3d hen, 3d
cockerel.
Mrs. T. S. Morgaridge, Como, Ill. 1st
cock, 1st hen, 1st and 2d cockerel,
1st, 2d and 3d hen; 1st and 2nd pens.
Partridge Cochins—S. E. Benjamin,
Big Rock, Ill. 1st, 2d and 3d cockerel,
1st, 2d and 3d pullet; 1st pen.
White Langshans—W. H. Puter-
baugh, Lanark, Ill. 1st, 2d, 3d cock-
erel; 1st, 2d, 3d hen; 1st, 2d, 3d pullet;
1st, 2d pen.
S. C. B. Leghorns—Geo. W. Steele,
Rockelle, Ill.; 2d cockerel.
H. A. Boyd, Morrison, Ill.: 1st, 2d
on cock; 1st cockerel (tie with Kentner
Bros.); 1st hen; 2d, 3d pullet; 1st, 3d
pens.
Kentner Bros, Dixon, Ill.: 1st pullet;
1st cockerel (tie with H. A. Boyd); 3d
cockerel; 3d cock.
R. C. B. Leghorns—Geo. W. Steele,
Rockelle; 1st, 2d pullets.
S. C. W. Leghorns—Will Palmer,
Rock Falls, Ill.: 1st cockerel; 1st 2d and
3d pullet.
C. M. Cropsey, Dixon, 1st cock; 1st,
2d and 3d hen.
R. C. W. Leghorns—C. M. Cropsey,
Dixon, 1st, 2d and 3d cockerel.
Buff Leghorn—G. W. Stute, Ro-
chelle, 3d pen.
E. J. Pierce, Rock Falls, 1st, 2d cock-
erel; 3d hen; 2d pen.
W. H. Puterbaugh, Lanark, 1st, 2d
hen; 1st pen.
E. M. McCune, Dixon, 3d cockerel,
2d, 3d pullet; 1st cock.
Blue Andalusians—A. E. Simonson,
Dixon, 1st cockerel, 1st, 3d pullet,
W. F. Black Spanish—Milton Ley-
dig, Dixon, 1st, 2d hen.
W. C. Black Polish—Geo. Woodruff,
Dixon, 1st cockerel; 1st pullet.
W. C. W. Polish—Geo. Woodruff,
Dixrn, 1st cockerel; 1st, 2d, 3d pullet.
S. S. Hamburg—M. Leydig, Dixon,
3d cockerel.
W. I. Bymaster, Dixon, 1st cockerel,
3d pullet.
E. M. McCune, Dixon, 2d cockerel;
1st, 2d pullet; 1st pen.
Houdans.—Kentner Bros., Dixon; 1st
cockerel, 1st pullet, 2nd hen.
B. B. R. Game Bantam.—R. E. Cush-
man, Sterling, Ill.: 1st cock, 2nd and
3rd pullet, 1st cockerel, 1st, 2nd, 3rd
hen, 1st pen.
B. B. R. Game Bantam.—C. C. God-
frey, Dixon; 1st pullet, 2nd cock, 2nd
cockerel, 3rd cockerel, 2nd hen.
Red Pyle Bantam.—R. E. Cushman,
Sterling, Ill.: 1st cockerel, 1st and 2nd
pullet.
Cornish Indian Games.—Kentner
Bros., Dixon; 2nd hen, 1st cockerel, 1st
pullet.
H. L. Marks, Lanark, Ill.: 2nd and
3rd cockerel, 1st and 3rd hen, 2nd pullet.
Chas. A. Hizer, Rochelle, Ill.: 1st
cock.
S. C. Black Minorcas.—E. C. Winters,
Rock Falls, Ill.: 1st hen.
W. H. Puterbaugh, Lanark, Ill.: 1st,
2nd and 3rd pullets, 1st cock, 1st, 2nd
and 3rd cockerels, 1st and 2nd pens.
S. C. White Minorcas.—Kentner
Bros., Dixon, 3rd cock, 2nd and 3rd hen
3rd cockerel.
Golden Sebright Bantam.—R. E.
Cushman, Sterling, Ill.: 2d pullet.

Buff Cochins Bantams.—C. C. God-
frey, Dixon; 1st and 2nd cockerels, 1st
pullet.
Red Cuban Pet Games.—Louis Plein,
Dixon, Ill.: 1st cock, 1st hen.
Blue Dominique Pet Games.—Louis
Plein, Dixon, Ill.: 1st cockerel, 1st pul-
let.
Bronze Turkeys.—Kentner Bros.
Dixon; 3rd cockerel, 2nd hen.
A. H. Mann, Elders, Ill.: 1st cock,
1st and 3rd hen.
Mrs. Chas. Jones, Paw Paw, Ill.; 2nd
cock.
W. Holland Turkeys.—W. I. By-
master, Dixon, Ill.: 1st cock.
White Pekin Ducks.—Geo. W. Steele,
Rochelle, Ill.: 1st cockerel.
W. H. Puterbaugh, Lanark, Ill.; 2nd
cockerel, 1st pullet.
Mr. Chas. Jones, Paw Paw, Ill.: 3rd
cock, 3rd cockerel, 1st hen, 2nd hen,
2nd pullet.
Rouen Ducks.—Wm. Erbes, Ohio, Ill.;
2nd cock, 2nd cock.
W. W. Davis, Big Rock, Ill.: 1st
cock, 1st hen, 1st cockerel.

Peter Cartwright's Prize Fight.

A strange character was Peter Cart-
wright as any old settler will tell you.
He was related to Judge Cartwright, of
Oregon. The Burlington Hawk Eye
has this bit of reminiscence which is
not strange reading when we remem-
ber the very peculiar people of those
early days in the west:
It is related that Peter Cartwright
was riding over a new circuit one day
when his horse cast a shoe. Stopping
at a wayside blacksmith shop he had
the missing shoe replaced. When the
job was finished, he asked the smith,
a big, strapping fellow, the price of
the work. The man eyed Cartwright
intently and then asked if he was not
the new circuit rider. Cartwright ac-
knowledgeed that he was. The smith
then said:
"I will charge nothing for the shoe;
but I am going to lick you."
Cartwright demurred, saying he did
not come for that purpose, and would
be please to pay the price of the shoe.
The smith insisted, however, that
there was no charge, but that he was
determined to thrash Cartwright. "I
have licked every Methodist parson
who has come to this circuit," declared
he, "and I will make no exception of
you."
"All right," answered Peter, slowly
taking off the long black ministerial
coat, "I didn't want trouble, but I sup-
pose I can't help myself."
The blacksmith then threw off his
apron and both went at it, hammer and
tongs. It was a short fight, for Cart-
wright was a giant in strength and an
expert in the rough art of self-defense.
With a few well-directed blows he
soon had his grimy opponent sprawl-
ing on the ground crying for mercy.
"All right," said Cartwright, if you
have enough I'm satisfied. Now, sir,
if I fail to see you at church next Sun-
day, I'll trounce you worse than this!"
and putting on his coat, mounted his
horse and rode off, shaking a warning
finger at the bewildered man. The
next Sunday the blacksmith was at
church.

College Notes.

Mrs. J. B. Dille was a morning pas-
senger to Chicago.
John W. Ulrich, a telegraph student,
is very sick with pneumonia.
Plumbers are working day and night
in the basement of the new addition
getting the engine and boiler and other
machinery in position. Every effort
is being made to get the steam cooking
apparatus in order and ready for use.
This is examination week, and not
only will the student have to put forth
extra effort in his studies in conse-
quence, but the teachers' work will be
augmented about fifty percent.
Sunday morning about 8 o'clock,
when Mr. Baxter entered the prin-
cipal's office, he was startled to find it
completely filled with smoke. Upon
investigation he found that the waste-
basket under the table, with its con-
tents was almost burnt to the floor. A
large portion of the linoleum was de-
stroyed and papers hanging over the
edge of the table were burned or
scorched. The legs of the table and
boxes nearby were burned black.
Singular enough, the fire had not got-
ten under much headway, and by quick
action was easily put out. It was for-
tunate that it did not yet make a start,
for in that event many valuable papers,
together with the records, would have
been destroyed. No one seems to
know how the fire originated and the
probability is that someone after light-
ing a match dropped the stub into
the waste-basket, and in this way the
contents of the basket took fire. The
suspicion that the origin of the blaze
was incendiary has little or no ground.

From the Sterling Gazette:
Anson Thummel is gaining strength
rapidly and is able to walk about his
yard, and is patiently waiting for per-
mission to walk down town.
From the Sterling Standard:
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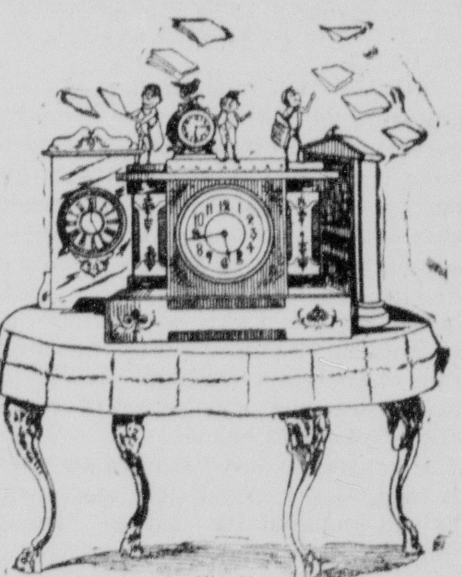
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The sweet to send some wakeful hours
And watch the heaven's light.

Here in this cold December air
I'll hear the night's chiming,
And once again recall the past,
The thoughts of olden times.

Above you silent, sleeping town
There floats a distant song,
A melody tune that swells the breeze
And softly sails along.

It comes to me in lingering notes,
In faint and mournful strain,
And sadder grows my heart—but calm,
O pain that soothest pain!

It brings me back the dear old songs,
Songs silenced long ago,
Oft heard among the moonlit groves
By sweet Euphrates' flow.

Once more I stand by one dear form
Upon the waveless sand
To hear faint echoes die afar
And press a trembling hand.

Ah, how the murmuring river hushed,
The moon was pale above,
When from those tuneful lips there rushed
Sweet melodies of love!

O priceless past, O dreamlike joys,
O long remembered face,
What charm you give this stranger's song
What sad and tender grace!

Let men in gold seek pleasures cold
In vanity or strife,
One grief to me is worth a world,
And one true tear a life.

Sing, sweet unknown, and from this breast
Let sadness not depart.
As rain will only brighten flowers,
Griefs beautify the heart.

—Boston Transcript.

BULLHEAD PARKER.

When George Parker made his first appearance on the football field at Clevedon college, about two weeks after the term began, he came unheralded and unknown.

The football enthusiasts had been busy for days discussing the merits and qualifications of the various new men who had come up for the first time that year and were trying for positions on the team. Good football material was scarce at Clevedon, and the captain and the coach were at their wits' end to construct a winning team with the candidates who had thus far appeared. The very day that Parker made his initial appearance they had held a short council in the directors' office at the gymnasium before going on the field for the afternoon practice, and the outlook, as they viewed it at the time, was gloomy indeed.

Candidates for positions behind the line were many, and some of them gave promise of developing into good players, but the linemen, especially the tackles, left much to be desired at the close of their conversation.

Shaw, the coach, expressed himself very forcibly as to the qualifications of at least one of the players: "I tell you, Arnold, we must get some life into that line or the best backs in the world won't win games for us. Now, there's Brice at left tackle. He's big and strong enough to stop a freight train, but he plays as though he were dead on his feet. If we only had some man to go in against him on the scrub eleven and wake him up and give him a bit of a scare, he might amount to something, but as it is he's about as lively as an ice wagon."

All this was too obvious to elicit anything more than a very gloomy acquiescence from the captain, and the two men tramped out through the gymnasium to the practice field, and here they found Parker for the first time among the crowd of youths passing and kicking the ball. He was of medium height, rather light but firmly built, resembling the other young men around him in general appearance, except for a rather unusual squareness of the jaw and levelness of gaze.

He came to Clevedon from an obscure little academy in a distant state, where he had prepared for college. The captain of the scrub eleven had noticed him in chapel in the morning and afterward had hunted him out, and, having learned by dint of hard questioning that he had played football and at least knew the rudiments of the game, had asked him to come out to the field in the afternoon and have a try at the second eleven.

The second or scrub eleven, be it known, is composed of the candidates who are denied a place on the varsity and who yet for the sake of the sport and in the hope that one day promotion may find them out are willing to work on without glory or reward unless they find them in the hard practice game played daily with the varsity. From the ranks of the scrubs come the substitutes for the varsity, and a good player in the former may well dare hope to be chosen on the varsity the next year. It is, as one may see, a sort of apprenticeship or training school through which one must pass before he reaches the varsity.

It had been the bane of the scrub captain's life hitherto that he had not been able to find a man in his miscellaneous lot who was able to play a hard enough game against Brice, the varsity left tackle, either to cause that gentleman any particular inconvenience or to satisfy the demands of Shaw. They had all made the mistake of "bucking" straight into him, and being inferior in weight and muscle to Brice, who was a giant in size, if not in intellect, the result may be imagined.

Thus it happened that in sheer desperation Parker was chosen on this his first night out to go in against Brice, and, if possible, frighten him into improving his playing.

As the two men looked each other over for a moment before the ball was put in play Brice thought to himself, rather contemptuously, that he would have no trouble with this stripling, but after Parker had broken through two or three times on plays around his end and downed the man with the ball he began to realize that he had a very unusual sort of scrub to deal with, and that it would require something very

different from his ordinary style of practice game to keep this fellow occupied. After he awoke to this fact Parker's lot became rather harder, and he was forced to content himself with an occasional tackle behind the interference when the runner was slow or the ball was poorly passed.

But the climax came just before the close of the 15 minutes' practice. The varsity had carried the ball down the field directly in front of and about 20 yards from the scrubs' goal. Parker had become somewhat used to the varsity play by this time, and when he saw the full back drop back and the half backs move out from and back of their regular positions he knew that a goal from the field was to be tried. Here was his last chance to outwit the now fully awakened Brice.

Instead of moving out, as he might have been expected to do, in order to get a clearer field and open the line, he moved in close and made a feint as though intending to dive between tackle and guard, which was just the sort of play it was the delight of Brice's heart to stop. He was practically immovable, and woe to the unlucky mortal who attempted "go through" him. Nothing, however, was further from Parker's mind than the attempting of such a feat. Instead, as the ball was snapped, he wheeled out quickly, caught Brice's arm in his own and, whirling upon him as on a pivot, threw that worthy flat on his back and rushed at the full back just in time to block a well directed try for goal.

The men on the side lines cheered lustily for the plucky scrub tackle, and the coach gladdened his heart with a few words of commendation, while the discomfited Brice had a bad five minutes explaining to the captain how it all happened.

After that Parker's play was carefully watched by both Shaw and Arnold, and Brice was warned that unless he looked sharp and worked hard he might yet lose the position which he had begun to look upon as peculiarly his own. Under this stimulus he improved wonderfully, and the hopes of the rooters rose again as they saw the line grow stronger and faster day by day.

The great game of the season, for which all the others were but a preparation, was the one with Hanover college, and was to be played this year at Clevedon. For three years the yellow and blue of Hanover had waved triumphant, and their team was reported to be in better condition than ever.

At last the great day arrived and the morning train brought with it the Hanover team and a great crowd of students, already boasting of the victory that was sure to be theirs. Odds were offered freely, but the Clevedon boys, mindful of the lessons of former defeats, were slow to bet, and much Hanover money went begging.

The day was an ideal one for football, crisp and cool, with that suspicion of frost in the air that puts every player on his mettle and makes every nerve tingle with pure human joy of living. On such a day even a disordered liver loses its ascendancy over the mind, and the blood races through the veins in an exhilarating flood. In spite of the lateness of the season the close clipped turf was green and soft as velvet, and the field, lined on either side with bleachers filled with a gayly dressed, ribbon bedecked crowd, was an inspiring sight. Every one in the little town, without regard to age, sex or present condition of servitude, had turned out to witness what proved to be a battle royal.

Hanover, with their usual good fortune, won the toss and chose the north goal, with the wind at their backs. Burrows, the Clevedon full back, swung his toe into the pigskin and sent it whirling well down into the enemy's country, with the ends close after it, and the battle was on. Hanover sent their backs around the Clevedon ends for a few short gains, and then lost the ball on a fumble. Clevedon held it for a few plays and lost it, and so the battle raged. Back and forth in the center of the field they fought. Occasionally a long kick by the full back would drive the ball down the field, and one goal or the other would be temporarily endangered, but soon the ball would be carried back to the center, and the struggle would be begun again. The teams were so evenly matched that neither was able to gain more than a temporary advantage over the other, and the first half closed without either having scored.

For the first five minutes of the second half it was the same story over again, but after one of Hanover's fierce rushes into the line a figure was seen stretched on the ground and a thrill of apprehension ran along the side lines. "Who is it?" "Is he Hanover or Clevedon?" "What subs have we?" were some of the questions anxiously asked.

To the dismay of the Clevedon contingent, it was discovered in a moment that it was Brice, the big left tackle, whose lame ankle had finally succumbed to a severe wrench. For him to continue longer in the game was out of the question, but who was there to take his place? The only man who had practiced in that position was Parker, and when the "rooters" saw him strip off his sweater and trot across the field obedient to the captain's summons their hearts sank within them. What chance would such a green stripling as he have against such a heavy, experienced player as the Hanover tackle? But the captain remembered Parker's play against Brice and held his peace.

The first play demonstrated that, whatever else he might be, Parker was no coward. Whenever there was a rush through his side of the line he was generally found at the bottom of the heap when the mass of men untangled itself. But the fierce, determined, bulldog game that Hanover was playing was beginning to tell, and slowly the ball was being carried nearer the coveted Clevedon goal—50 yards, 45, 40, until the ball lay on the 30 yard line, and here the advance stopped. Three times

the Hanover backs drove headlong into the Clevedon line, only to be held and thrown back again.

It was the old guard at Waterloo over again. One more play and the ball must go to Clevedon. But the goal was straight ahead and only 30 yards away, and a well directed kick would put Hanover five points to the good. The full back dropped back and every one knew what was coming. Every man was crouching low in the line with his muscles tense and every sense alert watching the ball and the man opposite him. Back went the ball to the full back, and after it the Clevedon quarter back, dodging quickly through a hole between center and guard, but just too late. The ball barely cleared his finger tips as it sailed up into the air and straight between the goal posts. A clean kick, and the Hanover bleachers roared and waved their approval.

Parker, in the rush of the moment, was conscious of nothing but a mad desire to tear his way through the line and reach the full back, but struggle as he would the man opposite him blocked him hard and low, and his effort was futile. On the Clevedon side of the field there was a gloomy silence that was almost tangible. Only seven minutes to play and the score 5 to 0 against them.

Burrows put the ball in play again with a low, swift kick that sent it straight at one of the big Hanover guards. Taken by surprise, instead of holding it, he let the ball bound back from his broad chest straight toward Parker, who was rushing down the field. As the ball bounded toward him, remembering the injunction of the coach never to try to kick up a ball unless he had a clear field before him, he threw himself full length at the coveted oval and gathered it in his arms.

At the same moment the unlucky guard, rushing from the other direction to repair his error, stumbled over the prostrate form and, whether it was intentional or accidental no one ever knew, struck poor Parker full in the face with the toe of his heavy shoe, cutting a deep gash above his left eye. To the Clevedon supporters on the side lines it seemed as though an evil fate was pursuing them. There was no one to take Parker's place, and how could he play with a deep cut in his head and the blood streaming down his face? But they failed to recognize the spirit of the boy, and when the coach tried to lead him from the field he flatly refused to be taken away. "Let me stay the game out," he pleaded, and then as a shrewd afterthought he added, "Who'll you put in my place anyway?" The force of this argument struck the coach, and, pleased with the boy's grit, he had no alternative but to yield, and back into his place went Parker, with his bloody face and a handkerchief bound round his head.

If he had played hard before, he played like a demon now, but the team was going down hill fast. The men had lost heart and with ever increasing swiftness the Hanover wedge ground its way down the field until a final breathless rally stopped the advance on the 20 yard line. One minute to play and the Hanover full back dropped back for another try for goal. Here was a last desperate chance, and in spite of his aching, whirling head Parker remembered the trick that had worked so well on Brice and shoved in close to his opponent. The latter, mistaking the movement, closed up the gap, when, quick as a flash, as the ball was snapped, Parker sprang out, whipped his husky opponent half around and rushed at the full back like a tiger, with the speedy quarter back close at his heels. The kick was swift and sure, but Parker was quicker, and as the ball rose he sprang high in the air and caught it full on his outstretched arms.

As the ball bounded back Sheldon, the quarter back, snatched it up, and was off for the Hanover goal, 80 yards away. Behind him strained the Hanover half backs in hot pursuit, but it was no use. A stern chase is a long one, and Sheldon did not hold the varsity record for the 100 yards for nothing. He planted the ball squarely between the goal posts, and Burrows kicked an easy goal, making the score 6 to 5 in Clevedon's favor, and time was up.

And Parker—well, Parker fainted away in the arms of his roommate as he tried to walk off the field and was sick for a month with brain fever. But he had earned his nickname of "Bull-headed" Parker, and lived to prove his full right and title to it on many a hard fought field.

They talk of his powers yet back at the old college, but Parker is sleeping in a Cuban grave, having given his life for his country this year. He fell in the charge of the rough riders at San Juan, a hero to the end.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A Yellow Fever Cure.

A correspondent of a London paper asserts that no fatal results may be feared from yellow fever if the person attacked, as soon as the symptoms appear, take a tumblerful of olive oil with the juice of a lime squeezed into it. This dose should be repeated till vomiting and purging ensue.

"This is infallible in checking the virulence of the complaint," says the letter writer, "and a speedy convalescence invariably follows. I have not only proved its efficiency personally, but have witnessed its complete success in dozens of cases, both in Cuba and South America."

Faced the Lions.

African Explorer (spinning a yarn)—Not very long ago I went out one day unarmed, when I suddenly found myself face to face with three lions.

Friend—Well? Explorer—I fixed my gaze on the brutes, then stuck my hands in my pockets and walked away, whistling an air from an opera.

Friend—And didn't the lions immediately rush at you?

Explorer—They couldn't. It was at the zoo.—London Tit-Bits.

MINERS LOST AT SEA.

A CAPTAIN'S STORY OF WHO IS OFFENEST TO BLAME.

He Also Suggests Why, When an Ocean Steamer Goes Down, Her Commander is Seldom to Be Found Among Those Who Were Saved.

"There's another side to this question of the criminal carelessness of the commander which we hear so much talk about whenever a liner is lost," said the captain of a big ocean steamship the other day. "It's not the captain who is really to blame in one case out of ten even when he is running his ship at full speed through a fog. It's the public that's to blame, and I'll tell you how it is.

"To begin with, everybody knows of the rivalry between the different lines. Everybody knows what a difference there is, in the estimation of the public, between the rival boats of the same grade which start at the same time and come in 24 hours apart. The man who has traveled by the boat that comes in last is going to say to himself that next time he will go on the So-and-so, which must be a better boat, for didn't she come in a day ahead of the one he came on?

"The captain of boat No. 1 is a hero for the time being, and the company he works for smiles on him. That he has run all the way at full speed through heavy seas and fogs and has taken all kinds of risks he knows, but he doesn't say anything about that, and the company doesn't, either. They have beaten the other line, and that is enough.

"The captain of boat No. 2, which came in a day behind the other, knows just what is in store for him before he reports at the office of his company. This is about what he hears:

"'Why, how is this, Mr. Blank? You came in 24 hours behind the So-and-so. What was the matter anyhow?'

"'Well, you see,' says the captain, 'we had storms part of the way, and when we got to the banks we struck a fog so thick you couldn't see your hand before your face, and we had to run at half speed all day.'

"'Ahem!' one of the owners will say. 'Ahem! It's a bad thing, Mr. Blank, for us to be beaten 24 hours by the So-and-so.'

"Captain Blank says no more, but feels that he has been reproved, and he remembers it on the next trip. The sea may be running 'mountains high' and the fog may be so thick you can't see the funnel from the bridge, but he is bound to get in on time this trip, and he does. The owners of the line smile on him. So he knows what he is required to do and goes on making record trips.

"It is the public, you see, which the company has got to please if it is to exist, and the captain has to please the company. Some day he does this once too often. He collides with another ship in a fog, maybe, or runs on the rocks. Perhaps the natural love of life or the thought of a helpless family keeps him from deliberately going to the bottom with the ship, but he knows that his career is at an end.

"The board sits on the case, and if there is any evidence to show that the accident was due to the carelessness of the commander in running at full speed in thick weather, or whatever the case may be, he is reprimanded and his certificate suspended for some months at least. When at last he gets the certificate back, it has a hole punched in it. "Now let us suppose that he has been a faithful servant of the company for a good while, and they like him and decide to transfer him to another ship and give him a chance for existence. This new ship has to be insured, of course, before she goes to sea. The underwriters make their examination and in the course of their inquiries there comes up the question as to who is the captain of the ship.

"When they hear the name, they will probably say: 'Why, let us see! Isn't he the man who sunk the So-and-so? Yes? Oh, we can't take any risks on a ship commanded by Captain Blank! Put another commander in his place and it will be all right.'

"The company is therefore obliged to dismiss Captain Blank. Then he starts out to find another situation. His certificate, you remember, has a hole in it. He goes to see the owners of another line. As soon as they hear his name they say:

"'Oh, yes. Didn't you command the So-and-so?'

"'Yes, I commanded that boat.'

"'Humph! Very sorry, captain, but we haven't anything just now. If we should have anything, we will let you know.'

"This scene is repeated at one steamship office after another on both sides of the water."

The captain leaned his elbows on the table. "Do you wonder," he said after a pause, "that generally when a liner is lost at sea her commander isn't among the saved? But mark my words," he added, rising, "in almost every disaster, when the cry of negligence is loudest, it's the public that's to blame and not the captain, who only does what he is obliged to do."—New York Sun.

Meant What He Said.

"Yes," said Mr. Jones, when a certain girl's name had been mentioned, "I know her to speak to, but not by sight."

"You mean," cut in the prompt corrector—"you mean that you know her by sight, but not to speak to."

"Do?" asked Mr. Jones anxiously. "Of course you do. You have seen her so often that you know who she is, but have never been introduced to her. Isn't that it?"

"No, that isn't it. I never saw her at all to know her, but I speak to her nearly every day."

"How can that be?"

"She is the telephone girl at central."—Harper's Bazar.

An Excursion to Mexico—The Land of the Montezumas—"The Egypt of the New World."

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We have genuine heroines right at our doors. A notable example is a neighbor, a devoted wife who for five long years nursed an invalid husband and supported a family of children until at length her health gave way and she was a physical wreck. We refer to Mrs. Marinda C. White, of Mason, W. Va. Her husband was a soldier, serving his country in the 174th O. V. I., and her son, Everett White, has recently shouldered his musket, being a member of Co. L, 17th O. N. G.

A few days ago a Leader reporter visited Mrs. White, when she told the following remarkable story:

"Fourteen years ago, while living at Syracuse, my husband was stricken with paralysis. For five years he lay helpless. We had four children. I was at a loss to know how I could live and keep the family together, but at length I obtained work making trousers. I made a dozen pairs every week, besides caring all alone for my husband, and keeping the children in school.

"Finally, after two years of effort, my husband was granted a pension. This relieved me somewhat, but money could not cure him. For five years I watched night and day by his bed. In July of 1889 my oldest daughter ran a crochet needle two inches into her heel. This threw another patient on my hands. Blood-poison set in and she lingered between life and death, no one knowing which would die first, she or her father. At last she recovered, but her father died in November.

"In February following my husband's death I suffered a stroke of paralysis, after

several weeks of nervous prostration. For days my life was despaired of by the attending physician, but I recovered enough to get around. The next year I had another stroke, and lay prostrated for four weeks.

"My mind and nerves were almost wrecked. For four years I was unable to use my hands to comb my hair. I could not climb a flight of stairs except by the most painful labor. I was under the care of seven different doctors.

"At last, in 1893, I read in the newspaper of the wonderful cures effected by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I decided to try them and bought a box. Before two days I felt better. I could sleep and continued using the pills and the paralysis pains disappeared, and I could walk without difficulty. I am 44 years old and attribute what health I have to the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

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THE ROYAL ACADEMY

FACTS ABOUT ENGLAND'S GREAT AND WEALTHY SOCIETY.

How the Members and Associates Are Elected—The Institution's Big Fund and the Good Works That Are Done With It.

To become a Royal academician, or at all events an associate, is the ambition of every young artist, for membership in the academy means much more than the mere right to put the letters R. A. after one's name and to exhibit pictures in the fine galleries at Burlington House.

In the first place, an academician is an esquire by right and not merely by courtesy, and, further, he is entitled, should he ever come on hard times, to a substantial pension of between £350 and £400 a year. If he dies leaving his widow unprotected, the academy allows her a liberal sum for her maintenance.

The associates and the associates' widows are also entitled to pensions on a somewhat smaller scale, so that there are many reasons apart from the honor and glory why the painter, sculptor or architect should wish to become a member of the powerful and wealthy body.

When therefore a young artist begins to get on, when he has his pictures well hung year after year, when they find ready buyers and are talked about in society, he takes the first step toward election by suggesting to one of the academicians that he should put his name down on the list of candidates. Once down his name stays on the list, either until he dies or is elected or voluntarily removes it, and this explains why one finds on the roll of candidates the names of many artists once popular, but long since forgotten by the public.

When a vacancy occurs among the associates, printed copies of this list on blue foolscap paper are sent to all the members, together with a request that they shall attend at the academy on a certain evening, when an election will take place. The elections themselves are conducted in a singular and somewhat complex fashion peculiar to the academy—a method which took the place about 20 years ago of the rough and ready system formerly in vogue.

Both academicians and associates are allowed to take part in the election, and when the members are gathered together each scores out with a pencil the name of the artist for whom he wishes to vote and hands the paper so marked to the secretary. These scorings out are known as "scratches" at the academy, and the secretary, after examining all the papers, duly announces how many "scratches" have been given to each candidate.

The election is then advanced another stage. The president, who, by virtue of his office, occupies the chair, directs that the names of all those candidates who have received more than four "scratches" shall be inscribed in chalk upon the blackboard, while those to whom only one, two or three votes have been given have no further chance of being elected.

The academicians and associates then vote again for the candidates whose names are on the board. The two leading men in this contest are now selected for a final ballot, the winner in which becomes an associate of the Royal academy.

The academicians are elected in precisely the same manner, except that the associates are the candidates instead of the outsiders. All this system of "scratches" and "blackboards" seems cumbersome and unnecessary, but it is said to work extremely well in practice.

Sometimes, though very rarely, a tie occurs, and in this case the president, or, in his absence, the academician who temporarily takes his place, has a casting vote. When Mr. Ernest Crofts, the battle painter, was elected, he tied in the final ballot with Mr. Jackson, the architect, and to Mr. Calderon (who in the absence of the late Sir John Millais occupied the chair) fell the difficult task of making the final selection.

The associates have no voice in the election of a president, the power of voting resting entirely with the academicians. Sir John Millais, the late president, was elected by the unanimous vote of the members, a fact which must have been extremely gratifying to that great artist. But on some other occasions the fight for the presidency has been very severe indeed.

The post is well worth a struggle, for it carries with it substantial remuneration, besides great social and artistic distinction. The late Sir Francis Chantrey left £100,000 to the academy, out of the interest of which a salary of some £800 or £900 a year is provided for the president.

The academy is immensely wealthy. The receipts from the annual exhibitions average from £20,000 to £25,000, and it is believed that the money invested in the hands of the trustees does not fall far short of £500,000. Out of this money the schools (in which 200 or 300 students are instructed gratuitously) are supported and a great many pensions and donations to decayed artists are given. Little is heard of these charities by the public, but they are very considerable, and the declining years of many old painters and sculptors are made easier by them.

Upon the academy also falls the expense of the annual banquet, which costs perhaps £400 or £500, besides any number of minor charges, as, for example, the payment of the selecting and hanging committees at the spring exhibition. —Pearson's Weekly.

A Brute.

Mrs. Greene—I hear that Sarah Johnson is going to get a divorce from her husband.

Mrs. Brown—Yes, and I don't blame her one mite. He's a monster. Would you believe it, he actually used one of her golf sticks for a poker the other morning! —Boston Transcript.

A HIGH HONOR.

The Young Lady Who Will Christen the New Battleship Wisconsin.

Miss Madge E. Thompson, the patriotic young woman who has been selected to christen the new battleship Wisconsin, is the daughter of A. E. Thompson of Princeton, Wis., and is 20 years old. She is described as a beautiful girl of rare attainments and accomplishments and is very popular in the social circles in which she moves. Governor Scofield selected her because of her high type of young womanhood and because of the fact that he has known



MISS MADGE E. THOMPSON.

her well ever since her birth, besides which Mr. Thompson and the governor are the warmest personal friends. The Wisconsin is now nearing completion in the Union Iron works, San Francisco, and will be ready for launching in a few weeks. She will be a battleship of the first class and in some respects the superior of the Oregon, which was built by the same company. The new ship will be as fine a craft of her kind as floats, and the fact that her fabric has been put together by the builders of the Oregon and Monterey will be a guarantee of her worth. —Chicago Times-Herald.

Cultivation of Beauty.

This is one of the arts that have prospered, only the women of today cultivate the beauty advocated by modern modes and not by those that followed the dictates of classic days. There is no doubt that health is the best cosmetic there is. It renders the complexion clear and bright, the skin soft and supple, the flesh sufficiently well developed to keep in abeyance the lines and wrinkles set by headache and indigestion. There are many priestesses of health culture in America, but there are fewer in England. The great Rachel believed that by studying beings that were beautiful it was possible in time to resemble them. As a child she was not blessed with any great personal charms, but becoming enamored of some of the classic statues, she details in her memoirs how any beauty she possessed she owed entirely to these antique figures. We may not be prepared to adopt the healthy waist of a Venus de Milo, but we can hardly be losers by acquiring some of the dignity of carriage of the ancients, which is certainly not a characteristic of our day.

A Famous Cakemaker.

Mrs. W. H. Wilson of Nashville has become famous through her excellent cakemaking. She has never attended a cooking school, but her renown has gone abroad, and she recently filled orders in one week for cakes to be sent to London, Paris and Australia. She had for a long time been filling orders for brides' cakes and birthday cakes to be sent to various cities of the United States, and through the correspondence of her American friends she received orders from noted people in Europe. By means of icing the cakes after an ingenious method of her own she makes most elaborate designs with orange blossoms and lovers' knots for brides' cakes, and wildflowers, geraniums, orchids, fruit designs, etc., blossom forth as this artistic woman proceeds.

English Women Gardeners.

Women have taken to gardening in very spirited fashion in England. The first place in the examination in horticulture of the Royal Horticultural society is again taken by a lady student of the horticultural college at Swanley, Miss Olive M. Harrison. Altogether 16 women students from Swanley passed in the first class, one from the County Technical school, Stafford, and one from the Women's London Gardening association, London, and one woman student from Swanley in the second class. Two ladies passed in the first class, one in the second and one in the third who are unconnected with any institution.

She Runs the Hotel.

Paris is talking with much interest of the venture of the Vicomtesse de Janze, who has started to add to her income by opening her magnificent Hotel Janze to the public at 2 francs a head. The house is one of the loveliest in the Champs Elysees quarter. It dates back from the eighteenth century, and every room can be considered a page of history. Portraits of the beauties are one of the specialties of the staircase, which is very fine. The salle a manger and the three salons are exquisitely decorated and full of art treasures and relics of such celebrities as Marie Antoinette and Josephine. —Exchange.

Points in Working Battenberg Lace.

The patterns for Battenberg lace, which come stamped upon pink muslin, show the size of braid used, and it is always best to select a material of a texture of linen similar to the quality of braid used. Before any needlework is attempted on a piece every bit of the braid must be basted on the pattern. It is best to study the design very carefully, so as to avoid cutting the braid except where it is absolutely necessary. Keep in mind that, in all work of this character the wrong side is toward you. —Louise Long Christie in Woman's Home Companion.

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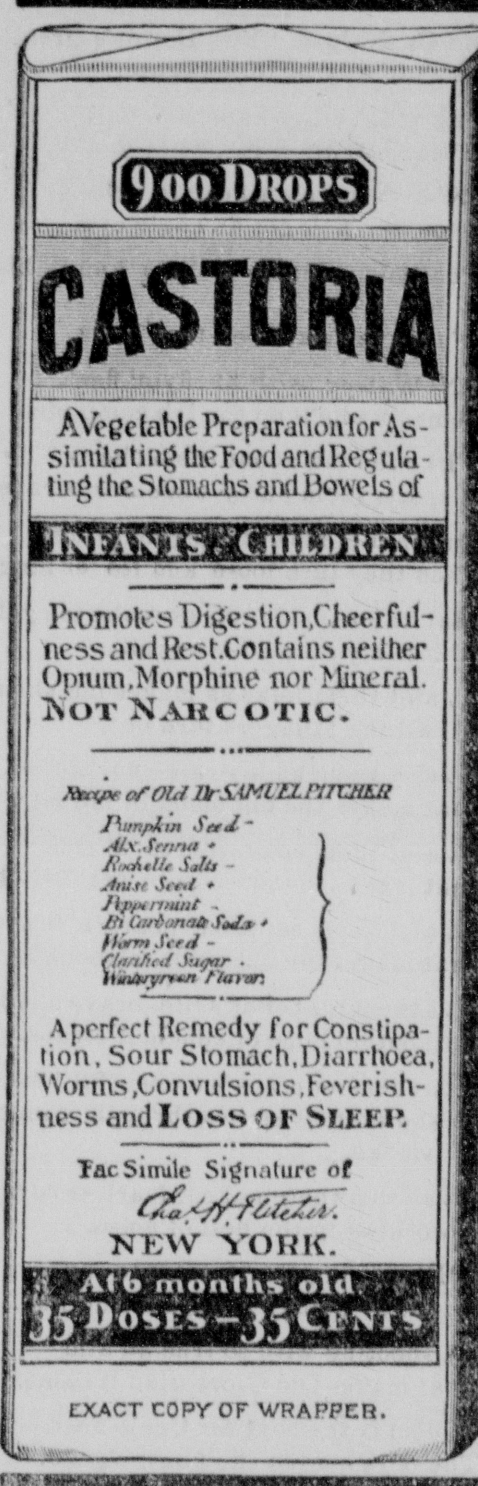
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The following is the weather forecast telegraphed us at 9:30 o'clock a.m. today from the government observatory at Chicago:

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"N' also there's a heap in Schley; Seems like he's got an eagle eye.

"That young chap Hobson knows his biz;

He's brave as kin be—that he is.

"N' Watson, with his flyin' fleet, Seems like he'll do the job complete.

"I like to read about them chaps As sports them purty shoulder straps.

"Jus' makes me cut a pigeon wing When they turn loose and let 'er fling.

"But 'tain't them folks as make me yell 'N' lose my senses for a spell.

"It aint them folks as makes me shout Till all the villagers turn out.

"It aint them ad-my-rals—no, sir!— That makes the old blood in me stir.

"It aint them commodores 'n' sich That makes the muscles in me twitch.

"It aint them captains' peart 'n' brave, That makes my old voice misbehave.

"It's them that offer's life, brave chaps, Without no hope of shoulder straps.

"It's them as crack's a cheerful joke 'N' shows their smiles through cannon smoke.

"It's them there naked, fearless boys A-working in the hell of noise.

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"A-shooting with so true an aim That makes Old Glory glad it came.

"Them is the boys for Uncle Josh— 'The boys behind the guns, 'gosh!'"

Baltimore News.

—Frank Carney was in Sterling last night.

—Wm. Kelchner was in Harmon yesterday.

—John Davlin was up to Pine Creek yesterday.

—M. Ofefe of Bloomington is at the Keystone.

—W. E. Sheffield of Grand Detour was in town today.

—Edward Benjamin is out today after a severe illness.

—Jenn Hatengar of Oregon is at the Nachusa House.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Marteeny were down from Freeport.

—John H. Edwards is out from Chicago on a business trip.

—T. A. Foxley and Jas. F. Wiley are in town from Grand Detour today.

—Mrs. E. E. Smith of New York is here on a visit with old time neighbors.

—Mrs. J. A. Hess is home from a visit with her parents at Albany, Wisconsin.

—Advertisements changed this evening: The Keyes Furniture Rooms, A. Davison.

—Mrs. D. C. Dauntler is home from a visit with her parents in Monticello, this state.

—Mrs. Archie Shaw and son, Henry, are here from Cedar Falls, Iowa, visiting Miss Elizabeth Shaw.

—Knights of Maccabees will hold an election of officers this evening. A full attendance is desired.

—Henry Heckman, contractor, is erecting a five-room cottage for E. M. McCune on his place up the river.

—A marriage license was granted today to Christian E. Hillison and Miss Mary C. Hartman of China township.

—Mr. and Mrs. Klaus Siebolt spent Sunday afternoon and took tea with Mr. and Mrs. Jacob DePuy of East River street.

—Word has been received that Lee Hutton is very ill at the home of his sister, Mrs. Wm. Rogers at Kansas City, Missouri.

—The Lexington Club of Freeport is preparing a minstrel entertainment for the near future. They made a hit when they appeared in Dixon last winter.

—Hoon Brothers of the Chicago Steam Laundry have a handsome new delivery wagon fresh from Paul G. Lord's shop. It is the lightest covered wagon in this city.

—Charles Martin, who came from Hurley, South Dakota, a week ago to attend school, was today called back home by a dispatch telling him that his mother is dying.

—The young ladies of the Lutheran church will have a fine display of beautiful dolls at their doll sale tomorrow afternoon at Parker & Winders' drug store. Your patronage is solicited.

—W. A. Schuler and Will Boyer were on the river with their ice boat yesterday and favored many friends with a fast ride. James Boyer and Will Schuler are building a stronger boat than has yet been seen here and hope to have it ready tomorrow.

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—E. R. Kent was hunting turkey this morning and shot one that was in a tree on the river bank near the bridge. The bird had escaped from the wholesale poultrymen across the street.

—The ninth congressional district convention of the W. R. C. will be held in C. J. Rosbrook's hall, Tuesday, December 20. Morning and afternoon sessions. Campfire in the evening, to which the public is invited.

—A pleasant social gathering of a score of friends was held at the home of Mrs. A. Huggins last Friday evening. The time was passed in pleasant games; light refreshments were served, and the occasion was one of great pleasure to all.

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